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POLICY FLASH 2005 - 06

DATE: October 28, 2004
TO: Procurement Directors
FROM: Office of Procurement and Assistance Policy, ME-61
Office of Procurement and Assistance Management

SUBJECT: **Implementation of the Electronic Subcontracting Reporting System**

SUMMARY The Office of Federal Procurement Policy (OFPP) recently issued a memorandum regarding the implementation of the new electronic Subcontracting Reporting System (eSRS). OFPP has extended the submission of all FY 2004 Standard Forms 294 & 295 until February 28, 2005, when the eSRS will be operational. Contracting Officers should immediately notify contractors of this change.



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On October 18th, the Office of Federal Procurement Policy (OFPP) issued the attached memorandum regarding the implementation of the new electronic Subcontracting Reporting System (eSRS):

While FAR 52.219-9(j)(1) & (2) identifies requirements for the submittal of the SF 294 (*Subcontracting Report for Individual Contracts*) or SF 295 (*Summary Subcontract Report*), OFPP has extended the submission due date of all FY 2004 reports until February 28, 2005. The Government will not accept any paper forms submitted after September 30, 2004. OFPP has requested that we notify contractors immediately that they should not submit the paper forms.

Please issue an administrative change, including a copy of the OFPP memorandum, for each of your contracts which contain the clause at FAR 52.219-9, Small Business Subcontracting Plan. OFPP is developing government/industry training to be presented in the first quarter of FY 2005.

If you have any questions in regards to this Flash, please contact Steve Zvolensky of our staff at (202) 287-1307 or steven.zvolensky@hq.doe.gov.



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OFFICE OF FEDERAL
PROCUREMENT POLICY

October 18, 2004

MEMORANDUM FOR CHIEF ACQUISITION OFFICERS
SENIOR PROCUREMENT EXECUTIVES
DIRECTORS, OFFICES OF SMALL AND
DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS UTILIZATION

FROM:

Robert A. Burton
Associate Administrator

SUBJECT:

Implementation Plan for the Electronic Subcontracting
Reporting System

The contract for the Electronic Subcontracting Reporting System (eSRS) will be awarded October 2004. The eSRS will replace the paper Standard Form-294 (SF-294), *Subcontracting Report for Individual Contracts*, and Standard Form-295 (SF-295), *Summary Subcontract Report*.

Historically, government contractors submitted the SF-295 to the procuring agency, in most cases to the Offices of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization, which in turn provided the data to the Federal Procurement Data System (FPDS). Government contractors submitted the SF-294 for *specific contracts to the contracting office* and the data from those submittals was never consolidated government-wide. The eSRS, which is part of the integrated acquisition environment, will provide a paperless system allowing contractors to enter both of these reports into a web site (<http://www.srs.gov>). All contractors required to file both types of subcontracting reports will do so using the eSRS.

Since the original FPDS has been replaced by FPDS-Next Generation, which does not include subcontracting data, we want to make use of the improved functionality of eSRS for fiscal year (FY) 2004 subcontracting reports. Accordingly, we are extending the deadline for submission of all FY 2004 reports to February 28, 2005. This will allow the Small Business Administration to receive subcontracting data for FY 2004 in March 2005, several months earlier than they received the data from the FPDS.

Please notify contractors of this change immediately, so they do not begin preparing paper SF-294s and SF-295s. All contractors will be required to enter the data into the eSRS, and the government will not accept paper reports for the period ending September 30, 2004.

Training on the use of the eSRS will be provided to both government employees and industry representatives during the first quarter of FY 2005. In addition, the eSRS will provide on-line help tools and a fully staffed help desk. An application interface will be available so that contractors with their own automated system can download their data, in most cases, with little difficulty.

The eSRS will benefit us in many ways. In addition to eliminating tens of thousands of semi-annual paper reports, the eSRS will provide access to subcontracting data not previously available, including standard reports for determining contractor achievement of socio-economic goals and other analytical tools. The system will automatically generate delinquent notices to contractors that have not submitted timely reports and identify contractors who are delinquent on specific reports. The numerous other advantages and features will be demonstrated during the training sessions mentioned above.

Please direct any questions to Julie Basile of the Office of Federal Procurement Policy, jbasile@omb.eop.gov, or at (202) 395-4821.